



October 14, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 17: PTSO Meeting @ 8:30am
October 18: 7th/8th Percussion at Corona HS
October 19-20: Early Release- Parent/Teacher Conferences
October 20: NJHS Meeting @ 7:45am
October 20: Math Tutoring Cancelled
October 21-23: Fall Play "Game of Tiaras"
November 3: Orchestra Concert
November 11: No School

[View Full Calendar](#)



Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Wednesday October 19th & Thursday October 20th. Check your email for more information.

****Both days will be early release days with a dismissal time of 1:05pm.****



Missing a Water Bottle?

We will have a table of unclaimed water bottles set up in the office on Monday the 17th & Tuesday the 18th. Please have your student stop in the office if they are missing anything. We will recycle all the remaining water bottles on Wednesday, October 19th.

Aprende Rocks Spirit Week!!!



School Pics

PICTURE DAY ...COMING SOON!

Kyrene Aprende Middle School

Picture Day: October 27th, 2022

Absentees: November 10th, 2022

How to Dress: School Pics are a keepsake you'll treasure for years to come, so look and dress your best. Avoid highly reflective neon colors, and please use this flyer as a reminder to schedule haircuts so your student will be "camera ready" by picture day. For more information, and to view the current season background, visit us at: <https://www.schoolpicsonline.com>

What to Bring: Nothing but your smile! No money is needed on picture day!

Please Note: All students will be photographed for yearbook and school services.

About Us: Our School Pics Proof Program allows you to view several proofs of your child before you purchase

Ordering: Digital Proofs and ordering information will be available at: <https://www.schoolpicsonline.com> approximately 2 weeks after the second picture day. Your child's school will email access instructions once they are available for viewing and ordering.

If you have any questions, please email us at:
customerservice@schoolpicsaz.com



Dear Families,
School Pics will be hosting a special picture day at our Ahwatukee studio on Saturday, November 12, 2022. We setup our office as a portrait studio from 8am until 12:00pm to accommodate staff or students that were newly enrolled since we took pictures, or were not able to take a school portrait on those days. The address is 9830 S. 51st Street, Suite A-130, Phoenix, 85044. Please register and book

your appointment using the "Schedule Appointment" link on our website:

<https://www.schoolpicsonline.com>

If you have any questions, please email melanie@schoolpicsaz.com

Thank you

Author Visit



Aprende Students and Families,

We are excited to announce that on February 3, 2023, author Neal Shusterman has chosen Aprende from **hundreds** of school sites as part of his book tour for *Gleanings*, a collection of tales from the Scythedom, which returns to the world of the Arc of a Scythe series. In *Scythe* (Arc of a Scythe Book 1), humans live in a world without hunger, disease, or death with Scythes as the living instruments of population control.

Neal Shusterman is the New York Times best-selling author of over 30 novels for children, teens, and adults. He has earned a reputation as a storyteller and dynamic speaker, and we are thrilled that he will be bringing his talents to our students at Aprende Middle School.

We've partnered with a local bookstore, Changing Hands, to offer an Aprende exclusive pre-order for *Gleanings* which is scheduled to be released on November 8, 2022. Students who purchase a pre-order copy of the book through our In Touch system (<https://az-kyrene.intouchreceipting.com>) prior to Friday, November 4, 2022, will be able to attend this exciting author event at Aprende, which will be held at 1:30 PM on February 3, 2023. Once signed in to the In Touch system, parents will click on "Student Activities" and then "Gleanings Novel Pre-Order". Books will be delivered to students at school after the release date, and students will also get a chance for Neal Shusterman to autograph their copy of the book at the event.

If you'd like to purchase and donate an additional book to a student in need or to our school library or to an ELA classroom bookshelf, we'd greatly appreciate it! We are excited to have such a popular author visit our school. If you have any questions, please contact me or your student's ELA teacher.

Respectfully,
Renee Kory, Principal

rkory@kyrene.org



Aprende PTSO needs your help keeping our teachers & staff caffeinated! Please sign up to bring a box (or two) of coffee pods for their Keurig. Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4baca628a5fec70-aprende>

DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE



CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR KYRENE APRENDE MIDDLE SCHOOL PTSO

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

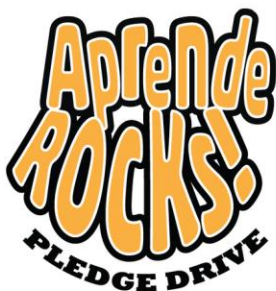
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ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **BHGXJ6A**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

Aprende Rocks: Pep Rally and Pledge Drive kick off with our special Fall Break Frenzy promotion



NO OUTSIDE COMPANY TAKES A LARGE PERCENT OF THESE DONATIONS. The PTSO runs this fundraiser creating more value for your dollar toward the school. The only fees we incur are processing fees, which equate to about 3%.

We are running our annual pledge drive through the month of October! No amount is too small. Your ongoing backing and support are both truly appreciated. For every \$10 you give to our Aprende Rocks! Pledge Drive, you will be entered into our Opportunity Drawing. Give \$20, you'll get 2 entries and so on. AND the student you are supporting will be entered just as many times into the student drawing including a chance to win an awesome grand prize!

97% OF DONATIONS DIRECTLY SUPPORT APRENDE!

10% of donations go back to the advisory teacher!
Our schoolwide goal is to collect **\$30,000** in donations.

FALL BREAK FRENZY!

Special early bird drawing for a \$100 Amazon gift card! Donations collected through Fall Break qualify! Just like the final drawing, every \$10 collected earns an entry (AND those entries go toward the final drawing too!). PLUS, the advisory CLASS with the most participation over break will win a class party of their choice (popcorn, ice cream, donut or skittle party!)

MAKING A DONATION?

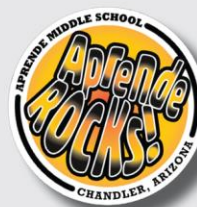
Every \$10 donation will equal (1) entry for the donor into a special opportunity drawing just for our donors/adults! Who knew donating to our school could be so rewarding?

STUDENT WHO IS COLLECTING?

Every \$10 you collect will equal (1) entry for YOU into the student drawing, also filled with a bunch of awesome prizes!

REWARDS?

- Students who collect \$100 or more will have an opportunity for one of many special experiences offered by various Aprende teachers!
- The top Student in each grade level will win lunch delivered to them and 3 friends!
- The top Advisory classes in each grade level get their choice of a party!



Students that collect just \$10 or more in donations will receive an "Aprende Rocks!" sticker!

WHAT CAN YOU WIN?

DONOR OPPORTUNITY DRAWING*

Each package around \$100 value!

Massage package

Wine package

Golf package

Craft beer package

Date night package

...and more!

STUDENT DRAWING*

Nintendo Switch, Beats Headphones or Go-Pro Bundle (\$400 value) - The winner CHOOSES!

Gift cards to various places including \$50 to Dutch Bros! Aprende Apparel, Bowling Certificates, Main Event Gift Cards, Annual Passes from PogoPass with tons of experiences and games to attend at no additional costs (Diamondbacks, Mercury, ASU games, Billiards and Bowling, Gravity Extreme and more), Phoenix Zoo Passes, Restaurant Gift Cards, Bahama Bucks, Launch Rockets, weekly mini-drawings...

...and more!

***PLUS MORE PRIZES AND SURPRISES ARE STILL COMING IN TO ADD!**

Want to contribute a prize? Email donations@aprendeptso.org

START ROCKING AT WWW.APRENDEROCKS.COM

You should receive an email with instructions on personalizing your student's page.

Be sure to share your page with friends and family through email or text!

If you have questions, send us an email at donations@aprendeptso.org

Aprende Book Fair

COME TO THE

Book Fair

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Starts

In-Person

Oct. 24-28


In the Library

During school hours

Great Books at Great Prices

Come Join Us & READ!

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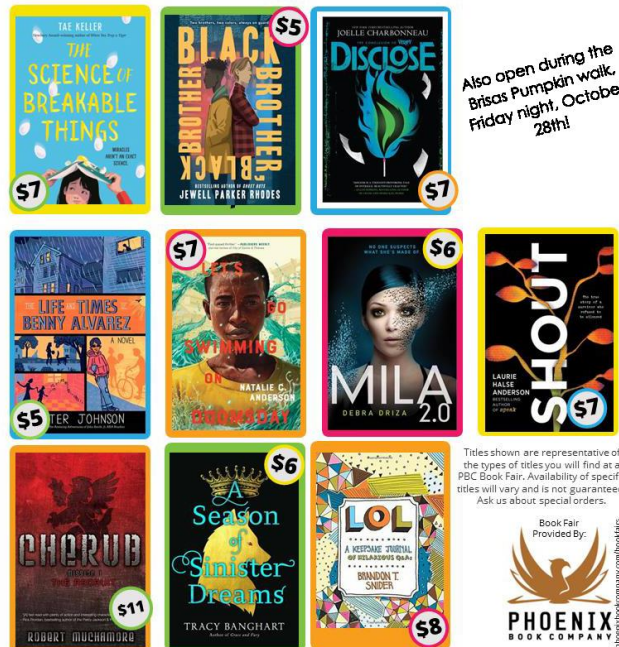
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Come to the Book Fair!

The Brisas/Apene Fall Book Fair is back and in-person!

October 24-28, in the Library Lounge


We look forward to seeing you there!



Also open during the Brisas Pumpkin walk, Friday night, October 28th!

Titles shown are representative of the types of titles you will find at a PBC Book Fair. Availability of specific titles will vary and is not guaranteed. Ask us about special orders.

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Positive Parenting Series

KYRENE SCHOOL DISTRICT



Kyrene Positive Parenting - November Presentations

The Kyrene School District is pleased to continue the successful [Positive Parenting Series](#) this school year, focusing on issues that affect families both at school and at home. We hope you can join us for our upcoming presentations.

Nov. 2 - Brain Science: Relationships & Routines

Parents are invited to learn more about how developing relationships and routines helps with the developing brain.

Presenters:

Sharyn Weinheimer and Hannah Parnell

Date and Time:

November 2, 2022

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Location:

[Zoom Link](#)

[Register for the Nov. 2 Session](#)

Nov. 3 - Be in the Know: Chemicals of Concern

Drugs have evolved over the decades. Youth use starts earlier with more potent chemicals like nicotine, THC, and opioids. Vaping is prevalent and fentanyl is killing people. Kids have access to it all. Anyone can fall into the use and life of addiction. In 2022, there were over 250 drug overdoses daily in the U.S. Let's work together to be knowledgeable or "in the know" and save lives. In this class you will learn about the facts, trends, signs of use, causes of death, and resources for preventing and intervening.

Presenters:

Stephanie Siete

Date and Time:

November 3, 2022

6:00-7:00 p.m.

Location:

Kyrene School District Office

8700 S. Kyrene Rd, Tempe AZ 85284

[Register for the Nov. 3 Session](#)

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Tempe Coalition

TO REDUCE UNDERAGE DRINKING AND DRUG USE

2022-2023

YEARBOOK

We have a limited number of yearbooks for sale. 49% of yearbooks have been sold! Only 330 copies are available and you do not want to miss out! Click [here](#) for yearbook purchase information. School pictures have been scheduled for October 27th. Retakes for absences will be November 10th. More details to follow.



If you would like to donate items to our monthly PBIS store, we are always in need of:

Bags of Jolly Ranchers
Full sized candy bars
Soda (cans only)
Rubber Bracelets, lanyards
Large jar of movie theater pickles
Bags of small sized candies (individually wrapped)

Thank you!



Wag Wednesdays: Bring your pup to Aprende student drop-off from 7:50 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. for a little treat! Just roll down your window, and Staudohar will pop a Bubba Bite into your pup's mouth!



Fall Sports

ONLINE REGISTRATION for Winter Sports Opens on 10/7/22!!!

Winter sports include Boys Basketball (cut sport), Girls Soccer (cut sport), Girls Softball (cut sport), Co-ed Wrestling (non-cut sport) and Co-ed Cheer (cut sport - registration over). Please remember that all online registration forms must be completed and a current physical must be on file in order to try out.

Girls Volleyball

Varsity:

Last game of the regular season Varsity defeated Pueblo 25-15 / 25-13. The girls played as "ONE" Can't wait for the Teacher/Varsity match on 10-24 and the tournament! Let's go JAGS

JV:

The JV squad travelled to KTA and won in 3 sets, 2-1. They faced unexpected adversity in the 2nd set, and they came together as a family and team in the 3rd set to seal the victory. A good lesson and momentum builder as we prepare for the tournament.

Soccer

Varsity:

BYE this week

JV:

The Aprende JV boys soccer team closed the regular season this week with a 4-4 draw vs. Pueblo. Throughout the match, the boys presented their high-level character and demonstrated true teamwork. It was very cool to see the boys playing such unselfish and inspired soccer. Although the season is short, the boys' belief in themselves, along with consistent commitment and dedication, has allowed them to develop and improve both as individuals and as a unified team. Support and encouragement for one another is omnipresent during training sessions and matches. The team now has a few more training sessions to prepare for the upcoming tournament. Please come out to a tournament game to support both the Varsity and JV soccer teams.



Cross Country:

Aprende Cross Country had a good Welcome back to school day. The kids did pretty good for being off for one full week. This was a good training meet to stay with a pack of team mates pulling them through it. The girls Won 19 to 51 Pueblo (lowest points win) and boys Won 18 points to 69 Pueblo. The girls PR's came from Avery Satre, Amelia Goldman and Rachel Glogowski and several others very close to PR's. The boys PR's came from Beckham Garcia, Conner Chaires and Jack Shivers.

A HUGE Shout out to a group of our kids who competed in the Desert Twilight Invite on Friday Sept 30th . They ran very well on the HILLY course measuring out to be 1.7 miles (a little over our standard 1.5). Congrats to the girls team for placing 2nd overall behind a club team bringing home a Trophy. Top 20 medalist Lauren Payne 10th place and Kileigh McCarthy 15th place out of 204 runners. The boys placed 13th place out of 20 teams (plus several unattached no team kids).



Please see the [Aprende Athletics webpage](#) for more information.

If you have any questions, please contact Athletic Director, Carl Nasuta, cnasuta@kyrene.org or Athletic Secretary, Melissa Harris mharris@kyrene.org 480-541-6203

Office hours: 7:30am-4:00pm

Address: 777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd., East #2, Chandler, AZ 85226

Gifted Testing- 6th & 7th Grades: Gifted Child Assessment Notice.

www.kyrene.org/gifted

Gifted Testing- 8th Grade: Click [here](#) for more information.

TUTORING: Free virtual tutoring available to Arizona students through the AmeriCorps STEMM program, skilled tutor mentors provide **free online math tutoring** and support to K-12 students. Use [this link](#) to view the schedule of tutoring sessions and access live tutoring links.

Tempe Union High District has a new policy regarding attending events. Middle School students must be accompanied by someone 21 or older.

[https://storage.googleapis.com/pt04-](https://storage.googleapis.com/pt04-3/messages/attachments/f3446dfdf8a68597f51b6a03e7977a92/Game_Day_Policy_.png)

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Clubs/Activities: Aprende offers a variety of clubs, activities and organizations. Click [here](#) for Club/Activity information.

Traffic Safety: Click [here](#) for information.

Attendance: Click [here](#) for more information.

Jaguar Players "Game of Tiaras"

10TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON



FALL PRODUCTION PRESENTS:



GAME OF TIARAS

BY DON ZOLIDIS

PRODUCED BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH PLAYSSCRIPTS, INC.
(WWW.PLAYSSCRIPTS.COM)

PERFORMANCES:

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21ST, 2022 @ 7:00PM
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22ND, 2022 @ 2:00PM
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23RD, 2022 @ 2:00PM

LOCATION: MPR AT APRENDE MIDDLE SCHOOL
777 DESERT BREEZE BLVD., CHANDLER

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\$7.00 GENERAL ADMISSION
\$4.00 STUDENTS / TEACHERS
\$20.00 VIP



As we wrap up September and Suicide Awareness Month here are some resources:

https://www.cusd80.com/cms/lib/AZ01001175/Centricity/Domain/7/SuicidePrevention_GoodSamaritanLaw_English_and_Spanish.pdf



2022 AHCCCS and SNAP Enrollment Assistance

Enrollment Specialist will be at the Family Resource Center once a month.

*Please call Irma Horton at **480-541-4772** to schedule an appointment (habla Español)*

Thursday's 9:00am – 1:00pm

September 1

October 13

November 4

December 2

Kyrene Family Resource Center

1330 E. Dava Dr.

Tempe, AZ 85283



A message from the Communications Workers of America

AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

WHAT IS IT?

The Affordable Connectivity Program is an FCC program that helps connect families and households struggling to afford internet service.

The benefit provides:

- Up to \$30/month discount for internet service;
- Up to \$75/month discount for households on qualifying Tribal lands; and
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet purchased through a participating provider.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

A household is eligible if one member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- Has an income that is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guide lines;
- Participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or Lifeline;
- Participates in Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations;
- Is approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school break fast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision;
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year; or
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating broadband provider's existing low-income program.

TWO STEPS TO ENROLL

1

Go to [ACPBenefit.org](https://www.acpbenefit.org) to submit an application or print out a mail-in application.

2

Contact your preferred participating provider to select an eligible plan and have the discount applied to your bill.

Some providers may have an alternative application that they will ask you to complete.

Eligible households must both apply for the program and contact a participating provider to select a service plan.

LEARN MORE

Call 877-384-2575, or
Visit [fcc.gov/acp](https://www.fcc.gov/acp)



Un mensaje de Communications Workers of America

Programa de Descuentos Para Internet (ACP)

¿QUÉ ES?

El Programa de Descuentos para Internet es un programa de la FCC que ofrece ayuda a los hogares con problemas para pagar sus servicios de Internet.

Este beneficio le proporciona:

- Máximo \$30 de descuento al mes para tu servicio de Internet;
- Máximo \$75 de descuento al mes para hogares elegibles en Territorios Tribales;
- Un descuento único de hasta \$100 por una computadora portátil, computadora de escritorio o una tableta electrónica a través de un proveedor participante.

¿QUIÉN ES ELEGIBLE?

Un hogar es elegible si uno de sus miembros cumple, por lo menos, con una de las siguientes condiciones:

- Tiene un ingreso igual o menor al 200% de las pautas federales de pobreza (Federal poverty guidelines, en inglés);
- Participa en ciertos programas de asistencia, como SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC o Lifeline;
- Participa en programas dirigidos específicamente a territorios tribales, como la oficina general de asistencia (Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance), Tribal TANF o el programa de distribución de alimentos en reservas (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations);
- Está aprobado para recibir subsidios del programa de desayunos o almuerzos gratuitos o a precio reducido, incluso bajo la disposición de la USDA Community Eligibility Provision para los años escolares 2019-2020, 2020-2021 o 2021-2022;
- Recibió una beca Federal Pell Grant durante el año actual de premiación; o
- Cumple con las condiciones de elegibilidad para el programa de bajos ingresos de alguno de los proveedores participantes.

INSCRIPCIÓN EN DOS PASOS

1

Ingrese a [ACPBenefit.org](https://www.acpbenefit.org) para enviar una solicitud o imprimir un formulario para enviarlo por correo.

2

Contactese con su proveedor participante preferido para seleccionar un plan elegible y pedirle que el descuento se aplique a su cuenta.

Algunos proveedores podrán usar formularios de solicitud alternativos que le pedirán llenar.

Los hogares elegibles deben hacer dos cosas: presentar su solicitud al programa y contactarse con un proveedor participante para elegir un plan de servicios.

AVERIGÜE MÁS

Lláme al 877-384-2575, or
Visite [fcc.gov/acp](https://www.fcc.gov/acp)



Quicklinks

- [School Website](#)
- [Breakfast/Lunch Menu](#)
- [Calendar of Events](#)
- [ParentVue and StudentVue](#)
- [PTSO Information](#)

Contact Us

Kyrene Aprende Middle School
777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd. E. #2

School Hours: 8:20am-3:05pm

Chandler, AZ 85226

Wed: 8:20am-1:05pm

Phone: 480-541-6200

Fax: 480-541-6210

Attendance: 480-541-6201

Office Hours: 7:30am-4:00pm

Wed: 7:30am-2:00pm

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